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Clerk of the Superior Court of California

County of Los Angeles - Probate Division

111 North Hill Street

Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Estate of Thomas Earl Van Horn

Case No. 26STPB04272

REQUEST FOR WILL SEARCH AND LODGED WILL INQUIRY

Dear Clerk of the Court:

I am Graham B. Lascsak, an interested person in the above-referenced probate matter. I am a nephew of the decedent Thomas Earl Van Horn, who passed away on March 22, 2026, at his residence located at 149 S. Avenue 54, Apt. 13, Los Angeles, CA 90042. I appear in this matter pro se.

I write to formally request that your office conduct a search of all court records, will

vaults, and any repository maintained by or accessible to the Superior Court of Los Angeles County for any last will and testament, codicil, trust instrument, or other testamentary document executed by or on behalf of THOMAS EARL VAN HORN, date of birth April 9, 1943, who resided in Los Angeles County, California at the time of his death.

LEGAL BASIS FOR THIS REQUEST

California Probate Code section 8200 requires that any person who has possession or custody of a decedent's will must, promptly after learning of the death, deliver the will to the clerk of the superior court of the county in which the estate of the decedent may be administered, or to the personal representative named in the will. Specifically, Probate Code section 8200(a) provides:

"After the death of the testator, any person who has the testator's will shall deliver it to the clerk of the superior court of the county in which the estate of the testator may be administered, or to the personal representative named in the will."

Further, California Probate Code section 8200(b) provides that the clerk shall receive and file the will and shall retain it. Additionally, Probate Code section 8225 provides that a person who has possession or control of a will and fails to deliver it as required commits a civil wrong actionable for damages.

Under California Probate Code section 8001, the superior court of the county in which the decedent was domiciled at the time of death has jurisdiction over administration of the decedent's estate. Accordingly, the Superior Court of Los Angeles County is the proper repository for any will lodged on behalf of Thomas Earl Van Horn.

BACKGROUND

The decedent Thomas Earl Van Horn died on March 22, 2026. A petition for appointment of administrator was filed by Teresa Weissenberger, the decedent's surviving sister, and was approved by this Court on or about May 22, 2026, on a representation that the decedent died intestate. However, family members have information that the decedent may have engaged an attorney to prepare a last will and testament prior to his death. The identity of that attorney is not presently known to the undersigned.

It is believed that, consistent with the requirements of California Probate Code section 8200, the decedent's attorney of record, if any, may have lodged the original will with this Court upon learning of the decedent's death. It is also possible that the will was deposited with this Court prior to the decedent's death for safekeeping pursuant to California Probate Code section 8200 et seq.

A concurrent motion for reconsideration of the order appointing Teresa Weissenberger as administrator has been filed in this matter and was transmitted to this Court on June 2, 2026. This letter is transmitted the next business day following that filing, consistent with the undertaking stated in that motion.

REQUEST

The undersigned respectfully requests that the Clerk of the Superior Court of Los Angeles County:

1. Search all will vaults, safe deposit facilities, and repositories maintained by or accessible to this Court for any will, codicil, or testamentary instrument filed, lodged, or deposited in the name of THOMAS EARL VAN HORN, who resided at 149 S. Avenue

54, Apt. 13, Los Angeles, CA 90042 at the time of his death on March 22, 2026.

2. Search all court filing records for Case No. 26STPB04272 and related predecessor case numbers, if any, for any will, codicil, or testamentary instrument submitted in connection with the above-referenced estate.

3. Search records for any document filed pursuant to California Probate Code section 8200 in the name of the decedent Thomas Earl Van Horn.

4. Search records maintained pursuant to California Probate Code section 8225 for any attorney who may have lodged or registered a will on behalf of the decedent.

5. If a will or testamentary document is located, notify the undersigned immediately at the contact information listed above, and provide a certified copy of the document at the undersigned's expense.

6. If no will or testamentary document is found in the Court's records or repository, provide written confirmation of that finding so that it may be submitted to the Court in connection with the pending motion for reconsideration.

CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE

This letter is transmitted to the Clerk of the Superior Court of Los Angeles County, Probate Division, via certified email through RMail (rmail.com) to MCL@lacourt.org on June 3, 2026. A copy of this letter is being transmitted via the same method to counsel for Petitioner Teresa Weissenberger, Shannon N. Wiezorek, Esq., Wiezorek and Geye, APC, 3450 E. Spring Street, Suite 212, Long Beach, CA 90806.

The undersigned affirms under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Graham B. Lascsak

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